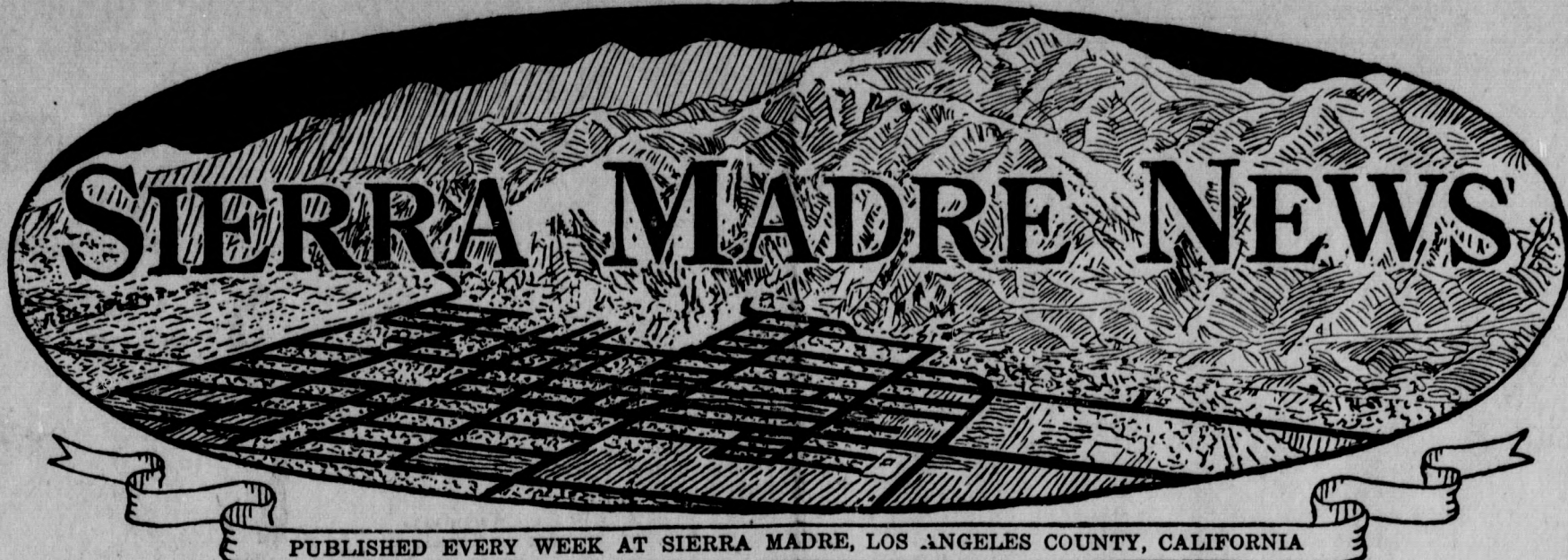


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Pertinent Comment

Good Will seems to be about the most prevalent sentiment in Sierra Madre nowadays. For some time past it has been showing in a variety of ways. It has been in evidence in the spirit of co-operation developed between organizations and individuals, some of which were recently thought impossible of contact without fireworks resulting.

"How do you get that way? Your imagination is too flighty. Everybody in Sierra Madre has a knife out for nearly everybody else," says some one. That is merely a distorted view resulting from the speaker's spirit or from listening to an occasional chronic kicker. Quite the reverse is the community spirit.

Fame Spreads
Sierra Madre has achieved no little fame from the Proclamation of Good Will and Congratulations extended through the Sierra Madre News to Mr. S. R. Norris when he opened his new store. Letters from as far away as New York commend the spirit of a town where merchants show such an attitude toward their fellow business men, even their competitors. Hundreds of citizens of Sierra Madre were caused to comment on and applaud the splendid spirit shown.

Last week the Christmas parade, originated by Miss Eleanor M. Tucker and carried out by the Chamber of Commerce, did much to foster the same spirit. Citizens came down town and visited stores they had never entered before. They found merchants who were not eternally out for all they could get regardless of the other fellow. They found a spirit of co-operation among the merchants and of service to the public.

It was freely predicted the Chamber of Commerce and the Civic Association would never be on speaking terms. On the contrary, they are finding a basis of co-operation on some things of community interest and of equitable distribution of other tasks which do not require all the efforts of both. And both reciprocate in a similar way with the Woman's Club.

The town cannot be brought to perfection in a month or a year. But the time will be greatly shortened by such a spirit as has been developing recently. It is not necessary to go around inane applauding everything that everybody does any time, anywhere. Constructive suggestion, helpful criticism are always in order. But crabbing gets nowhere. Finally, to repeat a motto which once hung in a certain high class newspaper sanctum: "Blessed is the man that taketh HIMSELF seriously, for he shall cause much amusement."

KANSAS VISITORS LIKE OUR TOWN

Judge and Mrs. Thomas Greer, of the District Court of Kansas City, who are now residing on West Grand View have been favored by a visit for the past six weeks by Mrs. Greer's mother, Mrs. Sarah Barker and son, S. W. Barker, well known land owner, of Kansas City. Mrs. Barker and her son intended to stay here until Spring, although due to urgent business Mr. Barker has recently returned to his home. Both the Greers and Barkers are so impressed by Sierra Madre that they may become permanent residents.

EASTERN STAR INSTALLATION MONDAY NIGHT

Officers for the year 1924 will be installed at the meeting of Sierra Madre chapter No. 299, O. E. S., on Monday night in Masonic Hall. The ceremonies will be conducted by Mrs. Ruth Twycross and C. F. Vannier, the retiring matron and patron of the chapter, with Mrs. W. E. Walker as installing marshal. Members of the order and their families are invited to attend the installation, beginning at 8:30 p.m.

Save Energy And Cash by Home Trade

"If you value your peace of mind, and even your life, do your Christmas shopping in Sierra Madre," is the advice of many people who have battled their way through the streets of Los Angeles, and among the alleged bargain counters of the big stores. No friend of yours would want you to undergo the buffeting and the long waits for service.

What is more, people who have taken the trouble to investigate have found an unexpected variety of Christmas shopping possibilities in Sierra Madre. Trade was reported dull by most of the merchants up to the first of this week. But rapid improvement has been noted by all who carry holiday lines and most of them expect to wind up the season with stocks well depleted.

Some unusually pretty holiday windows have been devised. Tucker's Jewelry store has as the centerpiece a quaint group of carol singers, drawing attention to offerings of jewelry and art goods.

The Sierra Madre Garage, Sierra Madre Hardware Co., Sierra Madre Electric Co., Sadler's Dry Goods store, the Edison Co., Hartman's Drug store, Woodson Jones' Victrola and gift shop, and Olsen's Shoe store have specially attractive holiday windows. J. N. Hawks has another "growing" subdivision in the window of Andrews & Hawks. On one lot is a cardboard model of the proposed Masonic temple as tentatively designed by Architect Finlayson.

Firemen Are Holding Third Annual Dance

To raise money for the annual community Christmas festival and to provide treats for the needy, the Firemen's club are holding the third annual ball tonight in the Woman's Club house.

Tom Henderson is again in general charge of the affair. In spite of the handicap of two days of illness he has personally sold more than 200 tickets. Other members have sold many in addition. They do not regard inability to attend as sufficient excuse for not buying a ticket to help the good cause. Tischhauser's popular orchestra will furnish the music.

W. M. COMBS IS CALLED TO REST

W. M. Combs, a resident at 67 West Laurel Ave., the past three months, passed away last night after a brave fight for health over a period of more than eight years. He was 37 years of age, born near Greensborough, N. C., where he resided most of his life. He engaged in the banking business until broken health sent him to Saranac Lake. After resuming work, he was again compelled to give up and removed to Albuquerque, N.M., where he recovered sufficiently to engage in the real estate business for several years.

In 1911 Mr. Combs married Miss Frances Kicklighter of Atlanta, Ga., who, with their 9-year old daughter, survives him. They are now on the way west from Albuquerque where Mrs. Combs has a private school. He is also survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Combs, three sisters and a brother, Mrs. H. T. Stevens and Mrs. C. E. Landreth of Greensborough, W. R. Combs of Charlotte, and Miss Jessie Combs who, with their mother, has given him constant and tender care all through the long illness.

Mr. Combs was a man of singular charm and fine character, an officer and active worker in the Baptist church of Greensborough, and a member of the Masonic and Junior orders. The body will be taken to Albuquerque tonight for burial.

How Zoning Affects Old Use of Land

G. Gordon Whitnall, secretary of the Los Angeles Planning Commission and advisor of Sierra Madre during consideration an adoption of the present zoning ordinance, has recently written a series of articles on zoning for the Times. The last of the series deals with matters which many people have felt was the weakest spot in zoning legislation. Mr. Whitnall here shows how the objection can be met and such legislation logically defended in court. The article is as follows:

It sometimes happens, in the process of zoning, that a certain area is logically placed in a certain zone, notwithstanding the fact that there may exist within it a certain use prohibited by the zone. Such cases are spoken of as non-conforming uses. Where such exists, it has sometimes been claimed that to prevent others from establishing the same use it is a discrimination and therefore that that attempts to do this is void. That is not the case.

This point can best be illustrated by a theoretical case in a type of prevention long employed and firmly established, namely, fire districts. A person may assume a condition on a given street where a sudden development occurs that results in a rapid increase in property values and fire hazard conditions rapidly approach a point where the protection of a fire district is obviously needed. You may assume that of three adjoining lots on such a street the two end lots are improved with inflammable frame buildings; the owner of the middle lot applies to improve with a similar type of structure to those adjoining him on each side.

In the meantime the city creates a fire district that compels a more extensive type of construction in keeping with the necessity of reducing fire risk. To employ the process of reasoning frequently directed against zoning it would be argued, that the owner of this middle lot has constitutional right to do the same as his neighbors to each side of him because of the fact that they have already done it. In practice, in the case of fire zones, that does not follow. If it did it would practically result in a condition precluding any change at any time on any subject because, as a rule, no change is contemplated unless the thing it proposes to prevent has already occurred to that extent as to produce an undesirable condition.

Constitutes Menace
The element of fire risk and fire damage is a subject readily understood and constitutes such a real menace in the knowledge of the public as to make unquestioned the practice of preventing a continuance of certain types of construction without such prevention being open to the charge of discrimination. Such impairment of the individual's right is necessary to the public good and the enforcement is directed to what we might term the shell of the building.

The subject of zoning, so far as use restrictions are concerned, is interested in the shell of the building less than in the activity conducted in the inside. If it can be proven that certain activities or uses have a detrimental and damaging effect upon other uses, specific or general, then there is no change in the process of reasoning that would warrant the prevention of further uses already existing without in any degrees resorting to invalid discrimination. If specific damage from the injection of a given use into a given district may be difficult of computing in respect to any given parcel of adjoining property, there can be no question in the face of extended circumstances in almost all cities, that such damage does result.

Community Protection
The fact that damage thus resulting is probably less visible and less important than the damage from fire, does not in any way affect the process of reasoning employed in pre-

Non-Voting Public Gets Harsh Talk

Rex Goodcell, collector of internal revenue, was the luncheon speaker at the Wednesday meeting of the Woman's club. With a number of men invited to hear him, the luncheon tables presented an unusual appearance for such a gathering, receiving favorable comment from the speaker for the spirit shown.

"Taxation Without Representation" was Mr. Goodcell's announced topic, and it allowed him wide range for his flow of eloquence. He is not only an impressive figure, but his command of language and forceful presentation are a delight.

The lack of representation in government which met Mr. Goodcell's keenest contempt is that of so-called good citizens who do not take the trouble to vote. When only 30 per cent of the registered voters turn out at a primary election and the successful candidate receives only about 10 per cent of the total registration at the final election there is something radically wrong. The downfall of the democracies of the past resulted from diminishing interest on the part of the public. That is the greatest danger of America, in the opinion of Mr. Goodcell.

OFFER PRIZES FOR ESSAY ON CITIZENSHIP

"How to Become a Good Citizen of Sierra Madre" is the topic for essays to be written in a prize contest under auspices of the Civic Association committee on Community Spirit. Dr. William A. Tate, chairman of the committee, has made arrangements and announces the following prizes: First, \$3.00; Second, \$2.00; Third, \$1.00. Prizes will be cash deposited in savings accounts in the Sierra Madre Savings bank. Only pupils of the Sierra Madre grammar school may compete. Essays must be 200 words in length and are to be memorized for delivery at the January meeting of the Civic Association on Jan. 14. Further particulars may be obtained from Dr. Tate.

DORIC CLUB TO CONFER DEGREE

The third degree will be conferred in Sierra Madre Masonic lodge next Tuesday night by members of the Doric club of Los Angeles. This is an organization of Masons who are employees of Barker Brothers, coming here at the invitation of the local lodge. Owing to the fact that the regular social night of the lodge falls on Christmas, the meeting on Tuesday night will be partly of a social character.

Special Meeting Tonight
This evening the lodge will meet at 7:30 to confer the Fellowcraft degree. The extra meeting is made necessary because of the press of holiday affairs later in the month.

Electric Fans in India.
The use of electric fans instead of the hand-pulled punkah, and of electric lights instead of coconut oil lamps is rapidly increasing in conservative India.

venting it. The further fact that those results are less apparent and therefore less understood by the individual citizen, is all the more reason why the community, which is in a position to study such matters, should safeguard its citizens and their property from the detrimental influences that the individual may not be aware and could not protect themselves even though they were apprised of the facts.

Reasoned from this angle, the process of zoning is not only a constitutional right, but presents a duty for every community to exercise in so far as may be necessary to safeguard its citizens from those conditions that may not be fully appreciated by the individual and that the individual cannot protect himself against.

ROMANTIC AGE PRODUCED BY SENIOR CLASS

"Romance is here now just as in the days of King Arthur if only we know where to look for it." Around this pleasing theme is built "The Romantic Age," by Aleander Ax. Milne, author of many New York successes, which will be presented by the Senior Class of Pasadena High School, tonight and tomorrow night in the High School Auditorium at 8:30 P. M. Tickets are on sale at the high school.

The story begins with an after-dinner scene in the library of an English gentleman. An auto mishap brings a stranger to the home, who is on his way to a fancy dress ball. He is clad as a knight and at once wins the heart of the romantic daughter who meets him accidentally as he is leaving.

Act II takes place in a woodland vale where the stranger, having lost his way, has been forced to spend the night. Unable to stay at home after her brief visit with the stranger, the girl walks into the woods and meets the man of her dreams.

In the final act the stranger visits the home of the Englishman to return the gasoline which he has borrowed. The daughter suddenly realizes that this stranger around whom she has built up her dream of a real lover, is just like other twentieth century men, but in the end she learns that even today there is romance in the simple tasks of home building.

Pasadena high school will be the first high school to present this play on the Pacific Coast, and everyone is invited to see this sweet romance of youth. Russell McKinley of Sierra Madre takes a leading part in the play.

100 Will Go to Alhambra For Big Sing

The Community Sings of Sierra Madre and Alhambra will join in the first contest of the kind to be staged hereabouts on Saturday night in high school auditorium, Alhambra. It is expected 100 singers will go from Sierra Madre.

Director Kirchhofer, who has charge of both organizations, will try them out on a specified list of songs, and each will have an original song of greeting. Competent judges will score on the proper standards of chorus work.

FINE CROWD AT CIVIC DINNER MONDAY NIGHT

Allen Bixby of Pasadena was the principal speaker at the Civic Association meeting Monday night. The dinner was served by a committee headed by Mrs. M. D. Welscher, the proceeds being devoted to the Christmas fund for disabled war veterans. Mr. Bixby, an active American Legion worker, told what the legion is doing to help the ex-service men to help themselves. The various public relief agencies have worked out a basis of co-operation and substantial aid is administered in a variety of ways.

Mrs. Milton Steinberger reported on the progress of the New Year tournament float plans. The Sierra Madre entry will have the artistic supervision of Mrs. Glidden, Miss Fletcher and Miss Ward, while E. D. Topping and members of the Firemen's club will furnish the necessary labor for construction.

The open forum was conducted by Dr. W. A. Tate. No controversial question arising, he turned it into a "testimony meeting" and many of those present told of the benefits of the Civic Association gatherings as they saw them.

William B. Wright, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Wright, is reported to be recovering nicely from an appendicitis operation performed last week at St. Vincent's hospital, and is expected home early next week.

Wind Storm Sets Record For Duration

The wind storm which raged from Thursday until Tuesday set something of a record for duration and severity in Sierra Madre. Other sections of Southern California suffered even more than did this immediate vicinity.

The dryness of the ground resulted in a great real estate movement. Housewives were convinced the movement was all from the outdoors to the inside. The fact that the ground was dry and hard, however, prevented the uprooting of trees in as great numbers as has occurred when rain and wind came together.

Thousands of dollars damage was done the fruit, in the knocking of fruit from the trees and scarring and bruising what was left. Citrus trees and avocados suffered particularly in this storm.

Fire Alarm Down
The city fire alarm tower, surmounted by the big motor-driven siren, was blown down Saturday night. The heavy machine penetrated the roof of the Firemen's Club like a cannon ball. As a result the only alarm available at present for fires and curfew is the siren on the fire truck.

Other damage consisted principally in the overturning or collapse of small buildings and the tearing of paper roofing. The littering of the streets and yards with tree branches and leaves will require some time to clean up, although Street Superintendent Udell has made splendid progress in making the streets presentable again.

Lose Your Teeth?
Somebody's false teeth were found on the street during the storm by Albert Wheeling. He was not sure whether the wind caused the loss or not. He took the set to Dr. Tiller's office thinking the loser might inquire there for the missing set.

POST OFFICE FORCE CHANGES

E. H. Carpenter, a mainstay of the post office force the past two years, severed his connection with the postal service this week. After a brief trip to Imperial Valley he will take charge of a wholesale poultry establishment in Los Angeles which he has purchased.

John E. Thompson, carrier, will take the vacant place on the clerical staff of the office. Emile Smith is at present serving in his place on the carrier route.

For the holiday rush which is already well under way, Mrs. Wright, the postmaster, has secured the assistance of Mrs. Edna Wiggins.

Mr. Thompson has served as carrier ever since delivery service was established in Sierra Madre. He also served many years as clerk and carrier in the Cincinnati office.

DILWORTH TO BE HEMET POSTMASTER

Nelson Dilworth, formerly a Sierra Madre boy, is said to be slated for the next postmaster of Hemet. For several years he has been a rural carrier, and has been endorsed by the Republican central committee for the appointment. There will be the little formality of a civil service examination, which nobody regards as having anything to do with the filling of the place. Dilworth will succeed John E. King, editor of the Hemet News, who declined to be considered as a candidate. Fortunately, Dilworth is regarded as thoroughly competent, regardless of the civil service farce.

The Scotch Recruit.
A young Scotch sentry was put on sentry-go outside the general's tent. In the morning the general rose, looked out of his tent, and said in a stern and loud voice: "Who are you?" The young man turned round smartly and replied: "Fine, sir: 'ttoo's yersel'!"

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Mrs. George Humphries returned home Monday from Los Angeles where she was the guest of her daughter Mrs. Alfred Elwood for the past two weeks.

Mr. Wilfred Humphries of Los Angeles was the guest of his mother Mrs. George Humphries Monday and Tuesday.

Japanese Custom.

The custom of wearing an amulet as a protection against evil is common amongst all classes in Japan.

Uncle Eben's Opinion.

"I admire de truth," said Uncle Eben, "but de man dat tells it bout every little thing is liable to be purty shameless."

Betty Thayne, charming ingenue with the Smith-King Players at the Raymond Theatre, Pasadena, whose popularity with local fans is rapidly growing.

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Woman's Club Notes

(Mrs. E. H. Carpenter, Press Chairman)

Club Calendar

Dec. 20—All day sewing at club house.

Dec. 26, 1:15—Parliamentary law class; 2:30, children's program.

Dec. 28, 8:00—Smoker.

Many men were luncheon guests of the Woman's Club on Wednesday last, when a program covering widely diversified subjects was presented by Mrs. J. Glenwood Jones, chairman of the Drama section.

The presence of the men was greeted with very felicitous remarks by the president, Mrs. Lawless. She spoke appreciatively of the co-operation received from many of them in various club activities. She also spoke of the importance of the Civic association as a place for discussions on various civic and controversial topics. This has left the club free for consideration of creative art and other important matters which had almost been crowded out in the past.

Mr. Rex Goodell, collector of internal revenue, was the luncheon speaker and covered many political topics. By means of a group of Russian piano numbers Miss Adeline N. Shaw transported us from an atmosphere mundane into the super-artistic atmosphere created by Mr. Frayne Williams, who presented the afternoon address.

"He who is fed can never understand the hungry," quoted Mr. Williams in the course of his talk on Anton Chechov and the Moscow Art Theater, but his discourse was tantalizing in its brevity and we who are fed are already wishing for more.

Introducing his subject by a short sketch of the life of Anton Chechov, "A master of the Drama of inaction," Mr. Williams read excerpts from "At Home," a charming story of child training; the complete one act playlet, "A Tragedian in Spite of Himself," and parts of the second act of "The Cherry Orchard."

Although the Moscow Art Theatre has been in existence about 25 years, passing through successive stages of external realism, symbolic movement and inner psychological truth, its first real success began with the production of Anton Chechov's "Sea Gull."

Sierra Madre is proud of the artists in her midst. At the Woman's club house on Wednesday, the 14th, was shown the work of Mr. Dewey. With the exception of several views of the coast at Laguna, the pictures shown were of Sierra Madre's own highways and byways—most charmingly done in brilliant and forceful coloring.

Salvaging Fruit

It has been suggested that the (Continued on Page 5)

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9:45 a. m.—Sunday school.

11:00 a. m.—Morning Prayer and sermon.

Anyone desiring to worship at the Church of the Ascension will be cordially welcomed.

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9:45 a. m.—Sunday school, Doctor

F. H. Cram, superintendent. Bible

Class, Mr. C. E. Needham, teacher.

11:00 a. m.—Morning worship.

6:15 p. m.—Young People's service.

7:30 p. m.—Evening service.

Midweek meeting, Wednesday, 7:30

p. m. Welcome to all.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

A community church, open to all who believe in the Lord Jesus Christ. William A. Tate, Ph. D., minister.

9:45 a. m.—Sunday school; James

Fardale, superintendent.

6:30 p. m.—League of Christian

Youth.

11:00 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.—Church

services.

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CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY

Corner Highland and Hermosa Ave. Subject Dec. 16—"God the Preserver of Man."

9:30 a. m.—Sunday school.

11:00 a. m.—Morning service.

8:00 p. m. Wednesday—Testimonial

meeting.

GLEN SCHOOL CONSOLIDATION

The Pasadena Glen School for Boyhas been merged with the La Monte Military Academy in Atascadero, according to a joint statement

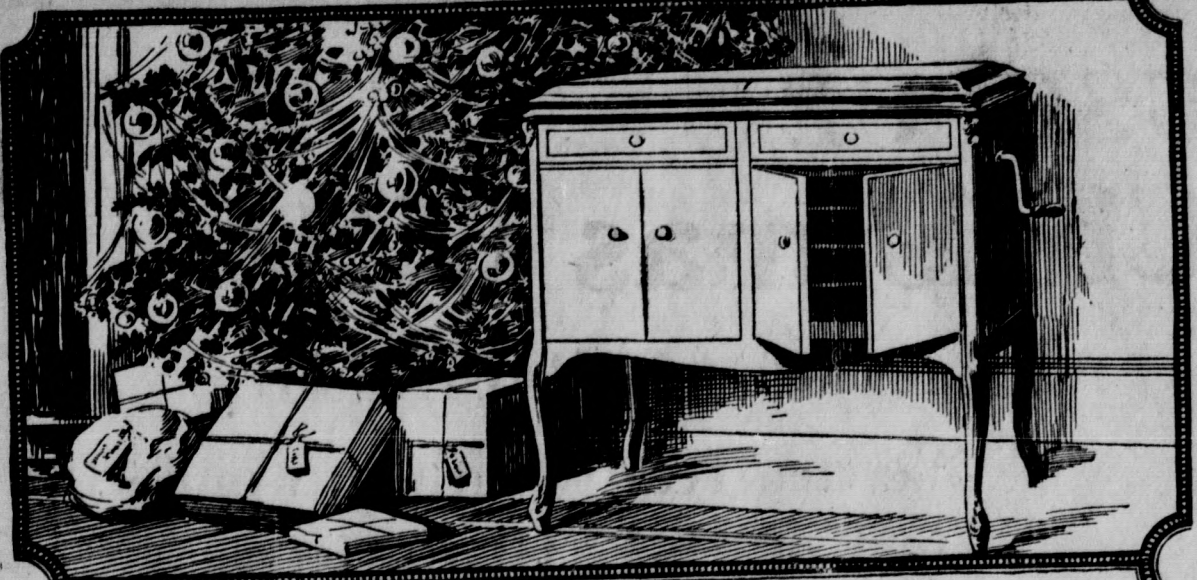
signed by Captain F. G. Delker, the

academy commandant and Dr. J. G.

Wade, the school headmaster, together

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Get the Girl.

Blessed is the man who walketh not in the house of contention, nor sitteth in the seat of the "couger," nor standeth in the way of the "sneezzer," but whose delight is in the wholesome air of the land and of this air doth he breathe, day and night.

Has a Greek Name.

The generic name of the squirrels—Sciurus—is derived from Greek words which mean "a creature that sits under his tail," says Nature Magazine, and this most admirably describes him. The tail, however, is not a useless ornament, but serves its owner well in various ways.

GIRLS GATHER AT CAMP FIRE CEREMONIAL

The last 1923 ceremonial meeting of the Camp Fire Girls was held on Wednesday afternoon at the home of Virginia Mary Roess. Twenty members with their Guardian, Miss Wildman, and President, Margaret Stovall, attended. A poem by Almeda Vaughn, written by her father, was much enjoyed. After games and music, delicious refreshments were served around the camp fire.



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Approving the 1924 budget authorizing \$26,288,000, the board of directors of the Southern California Edison company this morning arranged the financing of the company's electric development construction and extension program for the ensuing year which brings the amount expended for this purpose up to \$118,000,000 since the Armistice. This year's budget is the largest single annual appropriation ever made for any purpose in the state and is said to be one of the largest ever made in the United States. It is nearly twice as much as the annual appropriation for the government reclamation service, and approaches the maximum annual appropriation for the construction of the Panama Canal. This is part of the \$375,000,000 financing of the Edison Big Creek-San Joaquin River project. It includes the 1924 expenditures for transmission and distribution lines and additional apparatus for meeting the demands of the city of Los Angeles and 312 cities, towns and intervening rural communities in which the Edison company supplies electricity for light, heat, manufacture, irrigation and transportation.

Since the Armistice the Edison company has made enormous expenditures for these purposes, the annual figures being as follows: In 1919, \$9,471,000; in 1920, \$15,031,000; in 1921, \$18,275,000; in 1922, \$24,000, and in 1923, \$29,517,000, making a total of \$91,821,000, which does not include the \$26,288,000 appropriated for next year.

Completing the Florence Lake tunnel in the High Sierras of Fresno county, the longest tunnel in the world, is one of the big items provided for in the appropriation for next year's expenditures. It also provides for making the necessary extensions, improvements and betterments to increase the capacity necessary for supplying electric power to the counties of Los Angeles, Fresno, Kern, Tulare, Santa Barbara, Ventura, Orange, San Bernardino, Kings and Riverside.

BETHANY SCHOOL ENTERTAINMENT

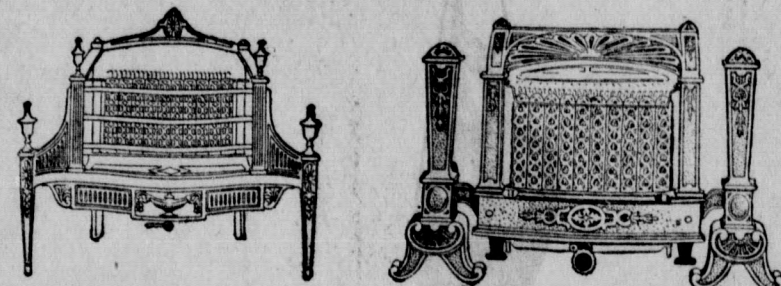
The Bethany Temple Sunday School Christmas entertainment will be held Friday evening, December 21, at 7:30. All members of the Sunday School and Church are cordially invited.

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Carroll of Hollywood for her impersonation of the small girl.

There will be a meeting of the Ladies Aid of the Congregational Church in the church parlors Tuesday, December 18 at 2:30 o'clock. Everyone is cordially invited.

COOKED FOOD SALE

The Ladies of St. Rita's will hold a cooked food sale at Mr. M. D. Welsher's on Saturday, December 22nd. Sale commences at 8:30 a. m. Cake

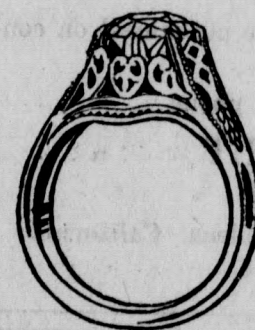
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SMITH KING PLAYERS TO FINISH YEAR

Pasadena will have the Smith-King Players for the remainder of the season, according to C. L. Langley, general manager of the T. D. & L. Theatre, who early yesterday morning reversed his decision to close the company here in two weeks.

With the announcement of the termination of the engagement of this company here, a mighty wave of protestation sprung up with the greatest force ever witnessed among the theatre-going public of the city. The Raymond was besieged with phone calls asking for confirmation of the report, expressions of regret and acrimonious remarks over such action. This activity brought Mr. Langley to the Raymond Sunday evening, where with his Pasadena representatives the matter was thoroughly gone into again, with the result that the following was issued by Mr. Langley at the conclusion of the conference, which lasted all night.

"Due to thousands of protests and expressions of regret over the announcement of the closing of the Smith-King Players, yet in the face of consistent losses during the past two years and a half, I have been induced to allow the stock to continue until the regular closing time this coming summer. After a lengthy conference with Charles King, director of the company, Willis Lusher, manager of the Raymond, and Cliff Greenman, director of publicity for the T. D. & L. circuit, these three convinced me that they would do all in their power to prove the Raymond to be a profitable investment and that it was a moral obligation owed to the people of Pasadena, who have so liberally supported the company, to permit the company to continue."

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Chaffee's Chocolates, 1-lb. box 50c
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| Pork Hocks | 12 1/2c |
| Pork Chops | 30c |
| Veal Roasts | 30c |
| Puritan Hams, whole or half | 29c |
| Puritan Bacon, whole or half | 37c |
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WOMAN'S CLUB

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windfall oranges be collected and brought to the west porch of the club house, where they may be sacked and taken to the Salvation Army stations in Los Angeles. Many of our men are driving to town each day and we ask them to aid in the distribution of the fruit by taking a sack or two with them each day.

Decorations

Many greens are needed for decorating the club on the 28th, when we are to have an evening meeting. We ask that you bring to the club house by Monday, Dec. 17, all the evergreens, scrub oak, white striped myrtle and ferns that you can gather.

There will be no meeting of the Drama section until after the holidays.

Invitations to a pre-view of the work of Western Artists to be held Friday, Dec. 14, at the Biltmore salon, will be procurable through Miss Bush, who extends her invitation to any art lover who may desire to spend the evening there.

Wisteria Stationery

The first Wisteria Stationery, reproduced from a beautiful design by Mrs. Homer Tuttle, was placed on sale in the club house lobby and made a great hit among those attending who bought liberally. Note paper and correspondence sizes are provided, with envelopes to match. Wrapped in attractive holiday packets they sell at a dollar a quire and may be obtained from the various retailers of stationery in Sierra Madre.

QUESTIONS

Out of the Question Box
to be discussed

SUNDAY EVENING

at 7:30

by DR. TATE:

1. Is America a Democracy or a Republic?
2. What connection have the financial methods of the Grotto Circus with the ideals of Masonry?
3. Is it true that you cannot legislate people on to a higher plane, mentally, morally and spiritually?
4. Is the Kingdom of God a Democracy?

Solo by Mr. Howard Lieben

Topic, 11 a. m.—"Our Dominant Motive."

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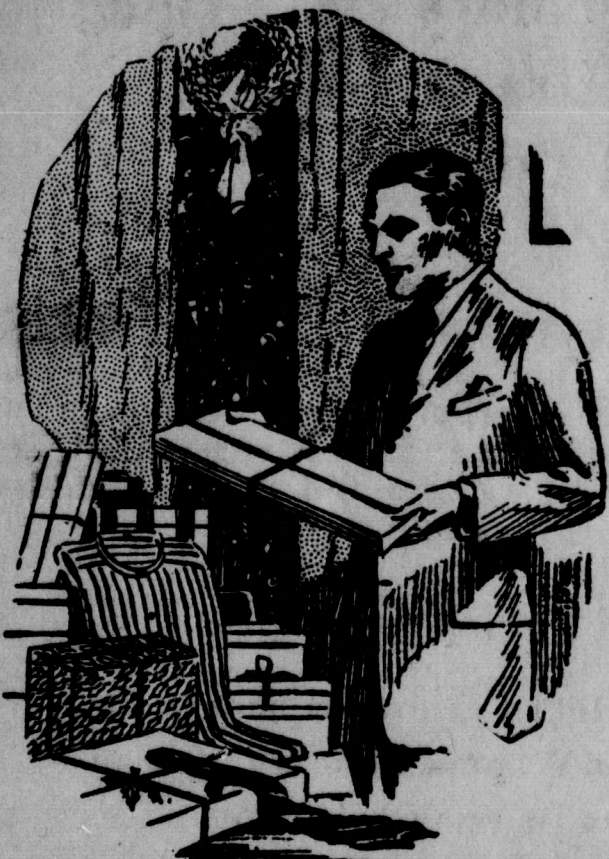
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The testing apparatus consists of wall charts on which lights are focused when properly placed on the marked floor. A nominal charge for this test and adjustment is the best insurance against prosecution for violation of the law against glaring headlights.

Mrs. Carl Young of North Adams was surprised Sunday by the unexpected visit of Mr. W. A. Lawson of New York City, accompanied by his niece, Mrs. R. D. Dalzell of Los Angeles. Mr. Lawson is the New York buyer for one of the largest Department Stores in Los Angeles. He reports that all business indications throughout the country are for a busy and prosperous coming year.

Mr. and Mrs. Schultz have sold their residence on East Laurel to Mr. and Mrs. Biers who will occupy the place this week, having returned here from the east for the winter.

English Train Is Fast.

The highest speed ever achieved on an English railway was that attained by a train known as "The City of Truro," which at one point reached the amazing speed of more than 102 miles an hour. Even then the "going" was as smooth as if the train had been moving at less than ten miles an hour.

Old German Belief.

Among the old German settlers in Pennsylvania it was a popular belief that a boy could be cured of homesickness by placing salt in the hem of his trousers and making him look up the chimney.

Binder for Cigars.

Chemists of Lehigh University have just perfected a binder for use in cigars which it is claimed will permit carrying a cigar in the pocket without fear of breaking it under ordinary conditions.

DID YOU SEND YOUR DOLLAR

Have you sent a dollar to the County Tuberculosis Assn., for the sheet of Christmas seals you received through the mail? If you have not done so, don't wait longer. The sufferers who are benefited by the work of the association deserve prompt action. Mayor Mitchell who is vice president of the county association, also calls attention to the fact that additional seals can be purchased from Miss Edith Jones at the Edison Company's office, or from him. Persons who did not receive seals by mail, or who desire more of them, are urged to buy them in Sierra Madre.

In addition to helping many sufferers from tuberculosis, this fund is used largely for preventive work. Mothers are given counsel and assistance, and undernourished children and mothers are even supplied with free pure milk if needed.

FORMING NEW COUNTRY CLUB

"Norembega Town and Country Club" is the name of a new organization just formed in Monrovia to develop a splendid property northeast of Monrovia, and northwest of Duarte, high up on the foothills. E. B. Evans is president, W. M. Baird is vice-president, and Fred Schwartz of the Southern California Edison Co., is secretary-treasurer. The club owns 160 acres of land and is now installing a water system. High class golf links, club house and other improvements are planned. E. B. Skedden was calling on Sierra Madre people Wednesday with a view of developing interest in communities outside of Monrovia.

Mr. J. O. Dorman has sold his home on East Highland and moved with his two daughters to Pasadena. Mr. Dorman was a faithful worker in Bethany Church where he will be greatly missed.

Last Thursday Mrs. Carl Young had as luncheon guests Mrs. Cora Collins of Hollywood and Mr. W. A. Tourelle of South Pasadena.

Mr. and Mrs. Bushman have sold their home on East Highland and have purchased a place on East Laurel Avenue.

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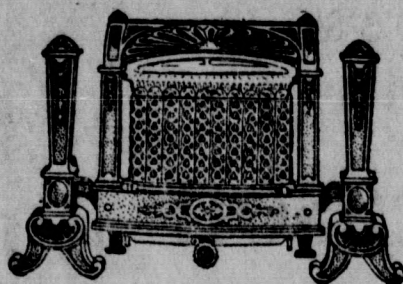
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**WIERD PLAY
AT FINE ARTS
THEATRE NOW**

In the history of the Drama presentations in Los Angeles never has a play caused such comment as R. U. R.—the futuristic melodrama—which is now being played at the Fine Arts Theatre, presented by France Goldwater under the direction of Willamene Wilkes.

It is so startlingly new that people who have seen it once are coming again. The idea of making mechanical puppets which can take the place of man strikes us as futuristic as Verne's 20,000 Leagues Under the Sea, in which he foretells of the submarine.

This play is staged conservatively, however, by Dickson Morgan, who makes the lights do the most wierd things.

Edwin Schallert in the Times says: "The way the story develops it at times attains the excitement of a melodrama. It is tremendously well worked out and built up and if it catches your imagination once you will be absolutely gripped by it."

Dudley Barrows in the Daily News felt that it is "Wierd beyond words; satanically satirical; as pitiless as the ploughshare—but interesting the most gruesomely fascinating idea since 'Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde,' and trumpeting a far more important message to the gold-crazed world—Karel Capek's smashing phantasmagoria, 'R. U. R.'" Only a very few times in the many years we have been attending performances on the speaking stage have we been so thrilled and awed as we were by the splendid cast, as they interpreted this startling protest against the elimination of sentiment and romance from the soul of the world, and its concomitant warning against the spread of superefficient communism throughout civilized lands."

Monroe Lathrop of the Express said it was "The most novel provocative adventure in years," and "As a smashing tract for the dignity of labor against materialism, and as a specimen of savagely skillful use of the parable in drama, 'R. U. R.' dwarfs anything seen in years on the local boards. On its merits it ought to run for weeks."

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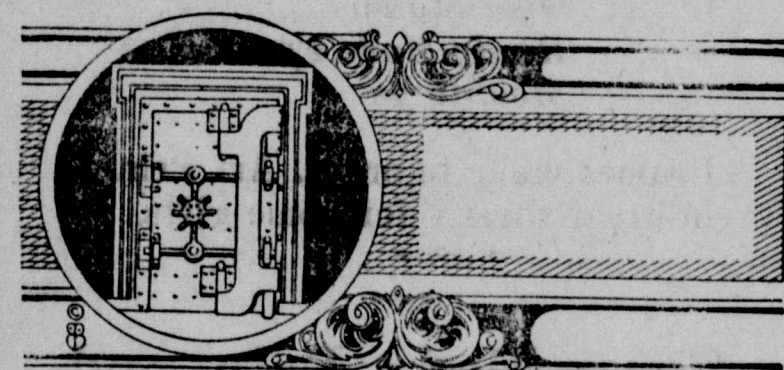
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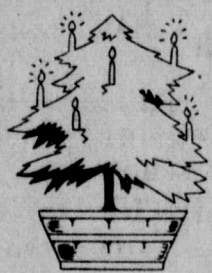
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They Battle Bugs.

The warblers are one of the most useful families of birds—they eat so many noxious insects and have scarcely any bad habits, says Nature Magazine. They nest in orchards, shade trees, willows, shrubbery and spruce forests. The yellow-throated warbler tenants orchards and shrubbery near standing or running water. A caterpillar is its favorite food.

Squirrels in Winter.

What do squirrels do in winter? All do not hibernate, says Nature Magazine. To be sure they are not abroad so much, nor are they as active, in the cold weather as during the summer months, but neither the red nor the gray squirrel has any period of continued sleep.

Builds Several Homes.

The red squirrels build their nests of dead leaves and shavings of hemlock and cedar bark, lining them with almost any soft material which they can find, says Nature Magazine. They are not always satisfied to have one home, but frequently have two or three.

Origin of "Best Man."

Tradition relates that a best man was employed in the stone age. The bridegroom swooped down upon the home of the bride and stole her away while the best man diverted the attention of the bride's father.

Some Dangers Avoided.

So far not many of the girls are reported as injuring their health by overwork helping their mothers. And it is not claimed either that the boys are usually hurting their eyes by too much studying at night.—Newark Advocate.

Spiders Have Calling Organ.

Experiments seem to prove that spiders can call to one another. Several spiders have on the underside of their abdomens a round depression containing small, hardened projections, which is suggested to be the calling organ.

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Firefly "Sonic Battery."

Efficiency of the light of the firefly may, be judged, says Nature Magazine, from the fact that the efficiency of a carbon incandescent lamp is 0.0042, of a tungsten bulb 0.013, of an open arc 0.072, of a quartz-mercury arc 0.068, and of the firefly 0.96.

Important Research.

The research for what is true and the practice of what is good are the two most important objects of philosophy.

Only Tames Man.

What by punishment can really be accomplished, all in all, in the case of man and animal is an augmentation of fear, an intensification of prudence, a subjugation of passions. And in so doing, punishment tames man, but it does not make him "better."—Friedrich Nietzsche.

Curious Web of Water Spider.

The water spider builds its home under water. It collects air on the surface and conveys it underneath. After many journeys there is sufficient air in the web for the spider to remain below for a considerable time.

Old Blue Law

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